## Rehabilitation Services for the Blind

## VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION TRANSITION SERVICES

## Did you know...

- 1. Rehabilitation Services for the Blind (RSB) is a state agency that **delivers free vocational rehabilitation transition services to eligible blind/visually impaired youth** (ages 14 and over) and their families statewide.
- 2. The goal of RSB services is to assist blind/visually impaired youth and their families in the **transition from high school to life in the adult world** and, ultimately, the world of work.
- 3. RSB staff will, at the request of families and/or schools, attend Individualized **Educational Plan (IEP)** meetings with youth and families to help identify needs and how to meet those needs.
- 4. RSB staff can supplement the youth's needs during high school with services like **college preparatory programs**, mentoring with successful visually impaired/blind role models and **career exploration**.
- 5. After graduation from high school, RSB can provide **tuition support** for college or vocational schools, training in **computers and adaptive equipment**, **skills training in mobility**, **Braille and daily living activities and more!**
- 6. RSB vocational rehabilitation **services continue after high school for as long as neede**d to reach the consumer's goal of employment in a job that is consistent with their unique strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests and informed choice.
- 7. RSB believes that consumer success in adult life starts with a good foundation in high school! The sooner we can start working with the youth and family, the better!
- 8. RSB staff provide our services **in the home** and will be happy to come to you to explain in more detail what we can do for your youth.
- 9. RSB staff also provide children services to visually impaired/blind children **under age 14** and their families.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL 1-800-592-6004

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